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Honorable David D. Freudenthal Governor of Wyoming State Capitol Cheyenne, WY 82002

Dear Governor Freudenthal:

Thank you for your letter of April 7, 2003, which forwarded your recommended designation of attainment for the 8-hour national health-based standard for ozone, for all areas in Wyoming. We appreciate receiving this recommendation. It is an important first step in informing Wyoming citizens about healthy and unhealthy air pollution levels in their cities and hometowns.

Under the Clean Air Act (CAA), EPA is required to promulgate designations for new or revised standards such as the 8-hour ozone standard. We plan on fulfilling this requirement by promulgating designations for all places in the nation by April 15, 2004. The new 8-hour ozone standard, combined with these designations and the emission reductions to be made in areas with non-attainment designations, will provide all Americans with healthier air and an improved quality of life.

We have reviewed your April 7, 2003, letter submitting Wyoming's recommendations on air quality designations for the 8-hour ozone standard. This letter is to inform you that EPA does not intend to make modifications to your recommended designations. We will continue to work with your office as we move forward to make the final designations. Also, please note that EPA will be addressing Indian country through a separate concurrent process with the Tribes in Wyoming.

If you have any questions, please contact me. Your staff may also wish to contact Richard Long, Director of our Air and Radiation Program, at (303) 312-6005, or Tim Russ, Air and Radiation staff, at (303) 312-6479. For your convenience you may contact my staff toll-free at 1-800-227-8917.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Roberts

Regional Administrator

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cc: John Corra, Director, WDEQ

Dan Olson, Administrator, Air Quality Division, WDEQ



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TO: Tim Russ

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COMMENTS: Tim,

I have attached a copy of our September 12, 2003 letter to Dick Long regarding a modification to our April 7,2003 ozone designation recommendation. I had spoken with you last fall about making the September 12 clarification. Yesterday we received a letter from EPA which doesn't acknowledge our September 12, 2003 recommendation. Could you please call me with regards to this matter. I can be reached at 307-672-6457.

Thanks much,
Tina Anderson

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September 12, 2003

Mr. Richard R. Long, Director Air and Radiation Program USEPA Region 8 - 8P-AR 999 18th Street, Suite 300 Denver, CO 80202-2466

Dear Mr. Long:

On April 7, 2003, the Governor for the State of Wyoming submitted a recommendation concerning attainment designations for the State for the 8-hour ozone standard, including appropriate boundaries. At that time, the Governor recommended that the entire State of Wyoming be designated as attainment for the 8-hour ozone standard with the exception of those lands which are under the jurisdiction of tribal authority. The State would like to make an addendum to that recommendation to more clearly describe the areas that are affected by the designation.

Instead of identifying the entire state as attainment, we would recommend that EPA designate the following counties, a list which comprises all counties within the state, as attainment/unclassifiable, with the exception of those lands which are under the jurisdiction of tribal authority:

County	Ozone NAAOS Designation
Albany	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Big Hom	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Campbell	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Carbon	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Converse	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Crook	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Fremont	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Goshen	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hot Springs	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Johnson	Attainment/Unclassifiable

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County
Laramie
Lincoln
Natrona
Niobrara
Park
Platte
Sheridan
Sublette
Sweetwater
Teton
Uinta
Washakie
Weston

Ozone NAAOS Designation
Attainment/Unclassifiable

We would ask that EPA make its designations for the 8-hour ozone standard for the State of Wyoming agree with these county designations. We will be defining the boundaries for PM2.5 designations in a similar fashion in the near future, and believe that it makes sense to have the PM2.5 boundary designations match up with the 8-hour ozone boundary designations.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,

Dan Olson

Air Quality Administrator

cc: John Corra